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DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

Mr. M. C. Frowde, the collector of Mr. John Lewis, in the management of the English tour of Australia, was born at Devonport, played the Rugby game early in his youth at Exeter, but turned to Soccer, and joined a club named Carlton Oaks. After becoming the honorary secretary of Weymouth St. James, he played for Devon, and helped in the conduct of the game by the Devon Association.

In 1889 he removed to Weymouth, and has resided there since, occupying an important managerial position with Crompton and Company, who own the funnel line of pleasure and steamers. One of the founders of the Weymouth club, he has been most active in developing the dribbling code throughout Devon.

As a player, club official, and referee, he has never spared himself. After becoming honorary secretary of the Dorset Association he established a local league.

Since 1895 Mr. Frowde has been a magistrate for Weymouth, and in October, 1921, he was presented with the long service medal. As a man who has played football, cricket, hockey, and tennis, for the pleasure and the profit that they give to the amateur, he has been a conscientious worker for healthy pastimes.

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The Bright Future of Soccer

Should the controllers of soccer in the metropolis plan for future seasons? To have the interests of the game at heart, the answer must be in the affirmative. During the last couple of seasons the management of the game has been thoroughly entrusted with those administration of the code of the game unquestionable ability. The propagandists by exposure of the ramifications of the game into disrepute hitherto unexploited.

The inevitable result is that there is an excessive number of clubs aspiring to premier honours, and it is regrettable that the demands of the game cannot be acceded to. It is readily recognised that centralisation is essential to ensure the future of the game. The ideal of professional minds, with a broad view of the future, is that there must be sufficiently financial to offer inducements to athletes to adopt soccer game as their winter time. It is within the grasp of attainment that the First Grade Clubs require playing areas in the district, so that the game will not be completely to expend an unduly proportion of its income in high fees to ground owners in close proximity to the city.

For too many years have the clubs been kept in penury owing to this disability. With a proper spirit of compromise it should be possible for a mutually satisfactory arrangement to be arrived at with suburban proprietors until the clubs are in a position to shift for themselves. The matter cannot be pigeon-holed indefinitely. Clubs must be galvanized into action to ensure that our playing areas are secure for seasons ahead.

Football is a tremendously strenuous game, demanding the highest pitch of physical fitness, which is attainable only by careful preparation in the most favorable environment. It is thus incumbent on club officials to see to it that the playing arenas are in good condition, so that players will have every possible assistance in staging bright, breezy exhibitions of a game which can hold enthralled the brightest intellects of the universe.

The proportionately big sums of money collected at the various suburban grounds make it possible for clubs and ground proprietors to co-ordinate their efforts on improvement of playing swards and at the same time to cater for the comfort of patrons by providing seating accommodation and protection from the weather. To those enthusiasts

who have invested their capital in providing grounds for the use of clubs, the game is greatly indebted, and all that is wanted is a spirit of fair play and common sense when the matter of fixing an equitable ground rent is under discussion. Otherwise dangerous developments are certain, and the inevitable result will be detrimental to the future of the clubs vitally concerned.

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TRUE SPIRIT OF SPORT.

(By Old Player.)

Off we go, and the best of luck. "Go straight" is my motto, to clubs, players, and spectators. Is there a brighter road than the straight road? I don't know one, and the writer says to the football species: Let us have another season of fine out-door sport. Let us learn to lose with a smile, and to congratulate the winner, though our record for the day shows a defeat. Let us bear with each other, and keep control of our feelings. Last season's standard of football and of good feeling, was very high indeed.

Remember the number of players all round the State, it is amazing that there should have been so few cases of foul play. Everyone was delighted with it, and I hope players and spectators will go a stage even higher up the ladder this season.

Spectators Must Set an Example.

"Spectators can make or mar a game. They can by encouragement of clean play, make for clean play, and they should for players and their own sake, encourage a good clean play, and condemn all others. Only by those means can we get the best of football year by year.

"I wish all clubs freedom from fouls, and accidents, was the words of the chairman of a P. and D. Committee." After having heard his remarks, and duly noted them, I went to a referee who said, "The world is all wrong." We even find in cricket nowadays, that the hooligan spirit has got into the heart of all games. It is due to the fact that controllers do not have a firm hand, and, more than all, to the fact that referees do not get their verdicts accepted loyally.

He went on in this strangely free but wise way. "You see it in every sports corner. The contestants get busy with their work. The verdict is given. There is a row. Somebody has disagreed with the referee's rulings. There always will be disagreements with rulings, but there is something more—there is the loyalty by which you disagree, but do not

make complaints that the referee has robbed your side of the win.

Referee's Decision Final.

Two men came to me recently and said that they wanted to know my verdict about a certain decision. I said, "there can be no argument about the decision: the referee has given it, and that ends it." They went on to say that they wanted to settle the argument they had had over the referee's decision, but I was firm. I could see the drift of the scheme. They wanted me to settle their argument. I replied again, "There is no argument about it. The referee is the sole judge, and he has given his verdict."

Now, that is the only loyal way with sporting governors, you must have loyalty to the man who is best fitted to judge. I admit that mistakes will arise, but the first principle of sporting interest is to allow that the practical man "in the middle" has the better view, and probably has seen more than you have. At any rate, he is a man who has no axe to grind, and therefore one must give him the credit of being at least honest in his convictions.

Player Ignorant of New Rule.

We all differ on football topics. There is no game under the sun that produces so many ifs and buts and arguments. Do you know that only last week a player who has been hibernating in the way back, was caught napping. He was a spectator at one of the matches last week, and was barking for his club. On a corner kick being taken, and the ball going towards the goalkeeper's hands, he shouted "Let it go, let it go!" He took a lot of convincing that it was not possible to score from a corner kick—until this season's change of rules.

It is inconceivable that any player should not be au fait with every trend of talk and every change of rule. Yet here is a first grade player who, in the year of grace, 1925, does not know that you can score from a corner kick. Yet on the other hand, it is easy to see how this solitary incident could arise.

It appears that the player went into the wilds for the purpose of never getting a football "chord." He succeeded so well that he did not know of the most important change of rules.

To show how varied and multiple are the ways and arguments of footballers, I have only to know the diametrically opposite views of two players, both of whom have been through their first flight of footballers.

Of Interest to Young Players.

This was the discussion. "Should a player be kept in the juniors a matter of a training course, or should it be known that this player is playing good football, and his age is only just sixteen, that we keep him from getting a head? Should that period be an apprenticeship period? Or should I spend a few years in the reserve side, and I know what it means. Some say you get a bit, but it is good discipline, good training, and I am not rushed into the first side when I was very young otherwise I might have a swelling thereon, and new up to the top class. I am a youngster who are rushing to the top side have only a bad patch and be dropped, to become in the known as the one flash tribe is an extensive one, I believe that the rushed falls flat after having a grade stuff never comes, I have known a number of bear out my contention, the other's verdict. In perhaps, you're right, but in Australia a different idea was we always put a good player into the first team, and there, for we believe that it is no experience like that a boy gets from seniors, a lad comes on the quick, he is working among the term as first graders. He to work hard and to learn. Here it is, it is better to get a boy in a society rather than let himself.

Thus arguments arise, no forrader, but we have a scheme things for the

What is your verdict, reader?

What anyone would expect, wet, heavy muddy ball, going straight to the face, a player allowed to face himself, without being per-

* * *
George Harrow, the back, is nearly blind to the hit. Players need this.

SESSIONS OF SOCCER.

Rugby League Convert.)

...allow Rugby League for a year of years, and then, with time to find something more... turn to the other codes, ...to settle on Soccer as... is my experience.

...seemed at first to be rather... but on getting to understand the various moves of the... something more exhilarating than any other winter pastime discovered.

...is more thrilling than to... ball passed along a line... forwards, past opposition... and then the excitement of the ball rebounding into play returned by an ever-alert...?

...doubt it is fascinating for...ponents to see a line of... dodging in and out, or a... pulled down by about... forwards. But is this...? Is it science? I... the answer to the reader's...

...is more scientific than... ball at toe, to skilfully... sphere from one wing... other, outwitting opposition... an endeavour to find a... opportunity to "shoot."... anticipate the opposition's... and to play accordingly.

...perhaps, is the game... of "dash" in it, but... does not spell science.

...is the game that draws... but will it hold them?... answer to the future.

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OUR FUTURE INTERNATIONALS.

This article deals with an aspect more important than any other section of the code—the game in the State Schools. If the average follower of the code was to be informed that Soccer is played in more schools in the city and suburban area than any other code of football he'd probably be sceptical. Rugby, League and Soccer are the only football



JOHN ELKES.

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codes played to a big extent, and this year, there are 88 schools playing Soccer, 85 Rugby League. Keep in mind that in these schools a big percentage plays both codes. In the primary schools each code has 52 nurseries, in the commercial and junior technical section each has 22, in the high and intermediate high Soccer has 14 Rugby League 11.

Rugby League has four grades in each of the two last-named classes of schools, two grades in the primary schools, and has in action each week 129 teams, an average of 12.9 teams per grade, representing 1806 players minimum.

Soccer has but two grades in each section in action each week. 123 teams, an average of 20.5 teams per grade, representing 1476 players minimum.

Considering that Rugby League has spent £500 in providing challenge shields, gives footballs, referees, and season tickets to sportmasters and boys as an inducement, Soccer gains in comparison. It is not admitted that Soccer should not act similarly, but, finance is the bar. Those things will come after the record English tour, when one safe investment to be recommended for the profits, is the schools.

No game can afford to neglect them, and it is "on" you, Mr. Player and Mr. Supporter, to think hard and cozen out of your grey matter how you can help to extend the school sphere.

Frequent reference will be made to this subject, as the season progresses. As a start we could help by refereeing some of these games:—Next Wednesday, May 20th, Newtown v Arncliffe, Erskineville Park, 2 p.m.; Bourke Street v Bondi, Centennial Park, 2 p.m.; Glebe v School for Deaf, Balmain v Auburn, two matches, Easton Park, begin 1.30 p.m.; Marrickville v Crown Street, two matches, Primrose Park, begin 1.30 p.m.; Ashfield v Leichhardt, two matches, Algie Park, begin 1.30 p.m.; Hurstville v Tempe, two matches, Hurstville, begin 1.30 p.m.; Neutral Bay v Hornsby, two matches, Cammeray Pk., begin 1.30 p.m.; Dulwich Hill v Arncliffe, Riverside, 2 p.m.; Summer Hill v Bondi, 2.30, Domain No. 2; Glebe v Redfern; Fort Street v Stanmore, 1.30, Domain No. 2.

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BALMAIN v. PYRMONT.

FIRST GRADE — EASTON PARK — 3.15 p.m.

BALMAIN (Black and Gold Stripes)

Goal:

H. Simmons

1—F. Gallen 2—J. Driscoll
3—J. Fisher 4—G. Storey 5—W. Byers
6—F. Baxter 7—H. McLeod 9—F. Hancock 10—C. Br
8—J. Sinclair
O
8—W. McCarthy
10—W. Welsh 9—C. Timms 7—N. Kelly 6—M. W
5—J. Shipley 4—G. Crawford 3—J. Cohen
2—S. Robinson 1—T. Bourke

J. Boyle

Goal:

PYRMONT (Blue)

Referee: Mr. W. Wright

Reserves—Balmain: 1—R. Leadbetter 12—W. Buttel.

SECOND GRADE — 1.45 p.m.

BALMAIN

Cole

13—H. Bridge 24—F. Jelfs
15—W. Ferguson 16—L. Jelfs 14—R. White,
and 17—S. Jelfs (one to be omitted).
22—S. Cunningham 18—O'Donnell 19—E. Heyman 23—H. V
21—W. Orr
O

18—N. Verity

20—M. Wells 19—H. Foden 17—E. Richards 16—W. A
15—E. Childs 14—W. Broad 13—E. Hill
12—J. McKinney 11—J. Black

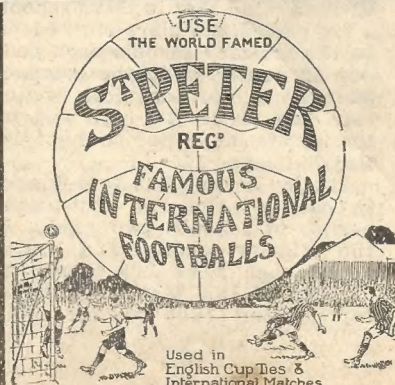
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Atchison

1—C. Leabeater

2—W. Mace

3—N. Hill

4—A. Edwards

5—J. Hele

6—S. Bourke

7—H. Winter

9—E. Waldon

10—A. Flynn

8—S. O'Toole

O

8—L. Brisbane

9—R. Osborne

9—J. Burcham

7—G. Turner

21—T. Ryan

5—F. Lambert

4—J. Watson

20—Owen

13—A. Watson

1—J. Crum

Cartwright

Goal:

ANNANDALE-LEICHHARDT (Black)

Referee: Mr. A. W. Bates.

Granville: 11—E. Bainbridge 12—W. Galioway.

SECOND GRADE ——— 1.45 p.m.

GRANVILLE

Goal:

Callaghan

13—E. Rigby

14—E. Bainbridge

15—T. Ritchie

19—M. Leabeater

17—E. Ladbury

16—E. Dunn

20—L. Gapes

21—H. Williams

22—D. McKay

12—W. Galloway

O

19—R. Birch

20—S. Quinn

16—L. Storey

17—J. Gigg

14—A. Crum

15—D. Downing

3—G. Graham

21—White

12—W. Sims

A. Wyllie

Goal:

ANNANDALE-LEICHHARDT

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8—W. Kerr

O

24—J. Hain

10—H. Robertson 13—Steel 7—G. McFarlan 6—H. B

or 16—S

5—H. Spurway

21—W. Maizey

4—Fowler

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25—P. Macfarlane 18—M. Allan Trafford

Jennings 27—J. Lyon 3—Wallace

14—Twine 23—Ellis

W.Decy

Goal:

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(Blue)

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All Age.

N.S. Rangers v Bondi Waratah,
Beauchamp Park, 3.15.
Bondi Beach v Rose Bay, Centen-
nial Park No. 12, 3.15.
Tingira the bye.

B Grade.

Waverley Rovers v Bondi Beach,
Cent. Park No. 13, 1.45.
Bondi Wara v Vauluse Salisbury,
Cent. Park No. 12, 1.45.
Tingira v Daceyville Rovers, Cent.
Park No. 13, 3.15.

C Grade.

Waratah Juniors v Waverley Rov-
ers B, Queens Pk. No. 5, 2.40.
Bondi Waratah v Waverley Rov-
ers A, Queens Pk. No. 5, 1.30.
Bondi Beach v Long Bay Kiora,
Queens Park No. 5, 3.50.
Central Sports the bye.

RESULTS OF LAST SATUR- DAY'S MATCHES.

All Age.

Tingira v North Sydney Rangers,
5—1.
Rose Bay v Bondi Waratah 7—1.

B Grade.

Tingira v Vauluse Salisbury.
Waverley Rovers v Daceyville
Rovers 1—0.
Bondi Waratah v Bondi Beach
2—0.

C Grade.

Waratah Juniors v Bondi Wara-
tah 2—1.
Central Sports v Bondi Beach
3—2.
Waverley Rovers A v Waverley
Rovers B 4—1.

COMPETITION TABLES.

All Age

	P	B	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Bondi Beach.	2	1	1	—	—	4	0	4
Tingira . . .	2	—	1	—	1	8	4	3
Rose Bay . .	2	—	1	—	1	10	5	3
N.S. Rangers	2	1	—	1	—	1	5	2
Bondi Wara.	2	—	—	2	—	2	11	0

B Grade

	P	B	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Tingira . . .	2	—	2	—	—	7	2	4
Bondi Wara.	2	—	2	—	—	10	2	4
Bondi Beach.	2	—	1	1	—	10	5	2
Wav. Rovers	2	—	1	1	—	2	3	2
Vauluse Salis- bury . . .	2	—	—	2	—	4	15	0
Daceyville Rov.	2	—	—	2	—	2	8	0

C Grade

	P	B	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Wav. Rov. A	2	—	2	—	—	6	2	4
Waratah Jrs.	2	—	2	—	—	7	1	4
Central Sports	2	—	1	1	—	3	7	2
Long B. Kiora	2	1	—	1	—	1	2	2
Bondi Beach.	2	—	1	1	—	9	3	2
Wav. Rov. B	2	1	—	1	—	1	4	2
Bondi Wara.	2	—	—	2	—	1	9	0

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MR. BANNISTER'S REPLY TO CANTERBURY'S PRESIDENT.

Dear Friend,—

Re your reply to my first letter, you say suggestions are always welcome. Well, there was no one more pleased at Easton Park than I was to see Canterbury down Balmain, because Balmain has had the "Indian sign" on Canterbury since 1910, and they always seemed to have luck in every game. This time Canterbury had same. What was wrong with the team work? It could have been improved 100 per cent. if J. Herron had made his half-backs feed J. Burns. He was starved right through the match. The only time he did get the ball, three goals were scored from his individual play. Mannal was constantly laying on the backs. He is too slow, and has no force behind his kicking. You say your selection committee has the interest of the club at heart. Well, I suppose they have. What is wanted is a full back in Herron's place, a new centre half in Mannal's place, and a new

suitable left. I will tell them they can be replaced. Put a local junior, at right full Tommy Gray, another junior centre half, and Jimmy another ex-junior, at outside that is if Crozier, another is not recovered from his

Re your offer for me along to your meeting, it was rather strange before the commencement of the present season every old and supporter received a notice by letter to come and help or join the club themselves. After being connected with Canterbury Club since 1910 the exception of 1914 till now I think it rather strange that you should not come along now.

I might also state that through my organisation Canterbury was re-elected in 1918.

Yours faithfully,

E. BANNISTER

Rally at the Sydney Sports Ground on Friday May 29, to welcome our kinsmen from England. Tickets 1/-. The public invited.

THE BRIGHT FUTURE OF SOCCER.

(Continued from Page 3).

Public interest is greater every this season, and money records give proof of smashing all previous attempts into smithereens. It is confidently anticipated the Englishmen will give the game such a boost that its position of the code which is premier position in Sydney to-day will be seriously threatened. Sydney sports are judges of merit and do not witness young, active quick-witted exponents in the field. Thus Soccer officials view the future with optimism.

T. A. Langridge, who has been appointed to train the teams entering the C.F.A., N.S.W. and M.S.F.A., this season the Englishmen, is opening new training classes next Tuesday night, at 8.15 and Thursday night, at 8.15. Club Secretaries and players should see Mr. Langridge if they require ideal facilities at low rates. A limited number of players are required to complete these classes. All other classes are filled. His address is Langridge of Physical Culture, 380 Street, Sydney.

Programme

CANTERBURY v. ST. GEORGE.

FIRST GRADE — CANTERBURY SPORTS GROUND — 3.15 p.m.

CANTERBURY

(Blue and Gold Stripes)

Goal:

Bailey

1—J. Herron

2—W. Brawn

3—E. Loveridge
or 11—M. Maclaren

4—F. Clark

5—A. Forbes

6—A. Burns 7—Barnes

9—R. Bennett 10—C. Crozier

8—S. Alewood

O

8—C. Graham

10—F. Melliar-Smith

9—W. Glachan 7—Hayes 6—A. Lavender

5—J. Picken

4—J. Tranter

3—R. Chiswell

2—J. Murray

1—G. Smart

Evans

Goal:

ST. GEORGE

(Red and White Stripes)

Referee: Mr. A. L. Peaty.

SECOND GRADE — 1.45 p.m.

CANTERBURY

(Team not available at press.)

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(Team not available at press)

Goal:

ST. GEORGE

Referee: Mr. T. Anderson

Linesmen: Messrs. H. Batten and

DON'T MISS

THE ENGLISH MATCHES

At The Show Ground, Sydney

v. N.S.W., May 30th and June 8th

v. Australia, July 4th and July 18th

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

1st Grade.

Canterbury v St. George, Canterbury, 3.15.
 Granville v Annandale-L., Ibrox Park, 3.15.
 Balmain v Pyrmont, Easton Pk., 3.15.
 Eastern Suburbs v Gladesville-Ryde, S.C.G. No. 2, 3.15.

2nd Grade.

Canterbury v St. George, Canterbury, 1.45.
 Granville v Annandale-L., Ibrox Park, 1.45.
 Balmain v Pyrmont, Easton Pk., 1.45.
 Eastern Suburbs v Gladesville-Ryde, S.C.G. No. 2, 1.45.

CLUB LEAGUE.

A Division.

Annandale-L. v Lane Cove, Tantillon Pk., 3.15 (Mr. J. Hopper).
 Auburn v Pyrmont (Mr. Battie).
 Balmain Colliery v Callan Park, Callan Park, 2.15 (Mr. Doidge).
 North Sydney Rgs. v Sunlight, Sunlight Sp. Gnd, 3.15 (Mr. E. J. Martin).

B Division.

Botany Albion v R.A.N., Booralee Park, 3.15 (Mr. D. Brown).
 G. R. Holcombe v Alexandria, Erskineville Park, 3.15 (Mr. G. Skelly).
 Eastern Suburbs v Bankstown, Bankstown, 3.15 (W. W. Clark)

NEXT SATURDAY'S FIXTURES

23rd May, 1925.

1st Grade

Canterbury v Annandale-Leich., Ibrox Park, 3.15.
 St. George v Pyrmont, St. George, 3.15.
 Balmain v Eastern Suburbs, Waverley Oval, 3.15.
 Granville v Gladesville-Ryde, Sydney Cricket Ground No. 2, 3.15

2nd Grade.

Canterbury v Annandale-L., Ibrox Park, 1.45.
 St. George v Pyrmont, St. George, 1.45.
 Balmain v Eastern Suburbs, Waverley Oval, 1.45.
 Granville v Gladesville-Ryde, Sydney C. Ground No. 2, 3.15.

CLUB LEAGUE.

A Division.

Annandale-L. v Pyrmont, Easton Park, 3.15.
 Lane Cove v Callan Park, Callan Park, 2.15.
 Auburn v Sunlight, Auburn Park, 3.15.
 Balmain Colliery v North Sydney Rgs., Beauchamp Park, 3.15.

B Division

Botany Albion v Alexandria, Booralee Park, 3.15.
 R.A.N. v Bankstown, Lyne Park, 3.15.
 G. R. Holcombe v Eastern Subs., Easton Park, 1.45.

RESULTS FOR SATURDAY, 9th MAY, 1925.

1st Grade.

Granville beat Canterbury 2—1.
 Balmain beat St. George 2—0.
 Gladesville-Ryde beat Pyrmont 4—2.
 Annandale-Leichhardt beat Eastern Suburbs 3—0.

2nd Grade.

Balmain beat St. George 4—0.
 Granville drew with Canterbury 1—1.
 Gladesville-Ryde drew with Pyrmont 2—2.
 Eastern Suburbs drew with Annandale-Leichhardt 0—0.

CLUB LEAGUE.

Bankstown beat Alexandria 2—0.
 Botany Albions beat G. R. Holcombe 9—0.
 Balmain Colliery v Lane Cove 2—0.
 R.A.N. beat E. Suburbs 6—1.
 Pyrmont drew with North Sydney 2—2.
 Auburn beat Annandale-L.
 Callan Park v Sunlight—deferred.

COMPETITION TABLES

2nd GRADE

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Balmain	4	4	—	—	9	1	8
Granville	4	3	—	1	9	1	7
Canterbury ..	4	2	1	1	6	5	5
Ann-Leichhardt	4	2	1	1	2	1	5
Gladesville-Ryde	4	1	2	1	8	9	3
Pyrmont	4	1	2	1	4	7	3
E. Suburbs ..	4	—	4	—	1	10	0
St. George ..	4	—	4	—	2	7	0

CLUB LEAGUE

A Division

	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts
Auburn	3	3	—	—	—	—	6
Pyrmont	3	2	—	1	9	4	5
Balmain Colliery	3	2	—	1	5	1	5
Sunlight	2	1	—	1	6	4	3
N. Syd. Rangers	3	1	1	1	4	4	3
Callan Park ..	3	—	2	—	3	5	0
Ann-Leichhardt.	3	—	3	—	—	—	0
Lane Cove	3	—	3	—	3	11	0

B Division

Botany Albions	3	3	—	—	16	1
Alexandria ..	3	2	1	—	16	5
Bankstown ..	3	2	1	—	10	4
R.A.N.	3	2	1	—	18	6
E. Suburbs ..	3	—	3	—	2	22
G. R. Holcombe	3	—	3	—	2	26

METROPOLITAN JUNIOR ASSOCIATION.

Players are advised that under no circumstances will a free transfer be allowed on Primrose Park. This practice will have to cease. Teams or players who disregard this notice will be cited to appear before the Committee of M.J.S.F.A.

FIXTURES FOR 23rd MAY

All Age.

Glebe Diamonds v Fivedock Cooks River, 3.15.
 Leichhardt Jnrs. v Plywood Rovers, Algie Park, 3.15.
 City United the bye.

A Grade.

Sunlight v Easton Park, Sunlight Sports Ground, 3.15.
 Newtown Jnrs. v Balmain Marys, Primrose Park, 3.15.
 Leichhardt Jnrs. v Alexandria Erskineville, 3.15.
 Lilyfield the bye.

B Grade.

Lilyfield v Warren Avoca, Primrose Park, 1.45.
 Annandale Federals v Bankstown, Erskineville, 1.45.
 Punch Park v Rozelle Waratahs, Sunlight Sports Ground, 1.45.
 Leichhardt Juniors the bye.

C Grade Division 1.

Lilyfield v Leichhardt Juniors, Algie Park, 2 p.m.
 Wentworth Juniors v Rozelle Waratahs, Primrose Park, 2, 2 p.m.

Balmain Gladstones v Fivedock Primrose Pk. No. 2, 3.15.
 Annandale Waratahs the bye

C Grade Division 2.

Annandale Athletic v Alexandria, 3 p.m.
 Botany Recs. v Erskineville Juniors, Booralee, 2 p.m.
 Glebe Juniors v Stanmore United, Cooks River, 2 p.m.

ADVERTISING RATES.

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Protestant Churches Association

Alex. Mission A and Holy Trin-
A are now leading with 4
points each. Drum. Bap. held
Mission till lemon time, but
that broke up. Goalie Moul-
Deprey, and Roberts played
Austens and Trinity match
a good even go until the rain
The heavier team never
led like losing. Unless the
Point boys bring corner
the winning of matches will
be of much avail. Gorman
Ridge defended well.

St. A were lucky to get
by the odd goal in three.
forward line played well,
were not fed by the half
Their backs are worse
the halves. Brunker was
best man on the day. The
and white forwards depend
much on individual play. Pyr-
Congs. and St. Johns Bal. A
an even game—1—1.

Wille Bap. had a great win
the expense of Concord Meth.
The team lacks confidence. Go
the ground prepared to win
and see the difference. Hurl-
Park Congs. have to thank
backs that Lakemba Congs.
do better than they did.

Tempe Park Meth. look danger-
this year with 2 wins to their
Lang was the pick of the
It is understood there is
internal trouble in this
Cut it out at once, boys, or
end up nowhere. Whatever
do, don't lose Secretary Croc-

Campsie Meth. A had a big vic-
again, 6—0. Judging by
variances, management made a
mistake in grading this team
second grade. In future it is
the grading committee will
more sense. After a good
and clean game St. Barts
home 2—0.

Botany Meth. A had a run away
Botany. 9—0. Leichhardt Meth.
deserved to register a defeat
week. With the Croydon
one up, they failed to con-
a penalty.

ES. and Fender were always
the picture on Wardell Park
St. Stephens have cause
Eagleson for manner in
be saved them from the on-
St. Aidans A. Aidans
team work among the
crisis, but the forwards
to be greedy.

Bad shooting alone was respon-
sible for Annandale Meth. only
drawing with St. Bede. Geake
and Nicholas were in the lime-
light. Flinn and Jolliff are a
great pair of backs. St. Thomas
A will—with their help—go a
long way.

As predicted, St. James and
Botany Pres. drew, 1—1, the
scores being a true reflex of the
game. W. Roberts wants to learn
to speak "sotto voce" on the field,
or he'll be speaking from the line.
Hurlstone Park Meth. had an easy
win, 3—0. Botany Meth. had an
easy win, 3—0. Botany Meth. B
were very lucky to towell Campsie
Meth. B. Seven minutes from
full time there was no score. The
defences of both teams were good.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

To-day, at Botany, we will field
our first rep. team of the season
against Kearsley F.C. In 1922
we first met this combination on
Leichhardt Oval and drew 2—2.
The return match was played at
Kearsley last year, when the Churches
were towelled 6—1. To-day
a fairly representative team has
been selected, considering that the
selectors have only seen the teams
in action for two weeks. Park,
Killish, the Heywards, Wallace,
have all represented before, so
there should be no stage fright.
The Churches hope to win—but so
does Kearsley. Mr. Referee Scott,
Hon. Secretary of the P.C.R. As-
sociation, will have charge of the
game.

After the match the visitors will
be entertained with a dinner at
Botany, followed by an evening at
the Grand Opera House. Messrs.
E. Meyers and W. Warren will
look after the Churches' interest
at Botany and during the even-
ing.

Messrs. R. H. Henry, R. A.
Byrdie, and E. Meyers will meet
the visitors on arrival. After
breakfast they will be shown over
Parliament House and the N.S.W.
Sports Club.

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A great match should be staged
on Cooks Park No. 1, at 1.45.
Honors even appear to be a fair
result, though the Tempe boys
are very flushed with recent vic-
tories. Hurlstone Park Congs.
and Marrickville Pres. A should

run out victors. Central Con-
cord Meth. will have a chance of
redeeming themselves against
Canterbury Meth., but its only a
chance.

Campsie Meth. A should have
an easy win, though it is not ex-
pected that the margin will be
too big. Botany Meth. A will
need to be all out to add another
two points to their score.

St. Aidans A and Leichhardt
Meth. will be interesting. It is
thought that the Blue and White
boys will get home.

Both Souls and St. Johns Glebe
have a long journey to make, and
one will register a defeat. Souls
expect to win.

St. Thomas A, Austens Jnrs.
and St. Bedes should all add to
their score.

Botany Presb. and Botany Meth
should provide a close game.
Probably by sheer weight Camp-
sie Meth. B will account for their
Congregational contemporaries.
Hurlstone Park Meth. should eas-
ily account for St. James.

ST. SILAS.

This team has not yet touched
the leather this season. To-day
they are engaged in the final of
the cricket, and the P.C.S.F.A.
wishes them every success.

13th JUNE.

Teams should note the above
date, and keep it vacant. It is a
month hence, and no team can
say they haven't had sufficient no-
tice. We'll tell you in the next
issue what's on.

29th MAY.

By post to-day all team secre-
taries should receive two tickets
for the public reception to be
given to the English team in the
Sydney Town Hall on 29th inst.
The money for sale of same should
be forwarded not later than 25th
May to Mr. R. H. Henry, from
whom further supplies may be ob-
tained.

LOST FOOTBALL PUMP.

Will the player from Alexandria
F.C. (M.J.S.F. Association, under
18) please return the pump he
borrowed at Boralee Park, last
week.

Eastern Suburbs have secured
the use of Waverley Oval for
May 23.



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(Kurri Kurri)

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Australian
Forwards

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SOCCER FOOTBALL ASSO-
CIATION.**

**Draw for Saturday, 23rd May,
1925.**

- Alex. Mission A v All Saints A
First Grade, Botany No. 1, at
3.15.
Drum. Bapt. v St. Johns Bal. A,
Wardell Rd. No. 1, 3.15.
St. Clements v Holy Trinity A,
Cooks Park No. 1, 3.15.
Austens F.C. v Pymont Congs,
Wardell Rd. No. 2, 3.15.

Second Grade A Division.

- St. Andrews v Lakemba Congs. A
on Lakemba, at 3.15.
M'kville Pres. A v Central Con-
cord Meth., Wardell Road No.
3, 3.15.
Tempe Park Meth. v Hurlstone Pk
Congs, Hurlstone Pk., 3.15.
M'kville Bapt. v Canterbury Meth,
Wardell Road No. 1, 1.45.

Second Grade B Division.

- Holy Trinity B v Botany Meth. A,
Botany No. 2, 3.15.
Enmore K.S.P. v St. Peters K.S.P.,
Wardell Road No. 4, 3.15.

- St. Bartholomews v City Mission,
Centennial Pk. No. 1, 3.15.
Alex. Mission B v Campsie Meth.
A, Campsie, 3.15.

Second Grade C Division.

- St. Albans v L'hardt Meth., on
Wardell Road No. 3, 1.45.
St. Stephens v St. Johns Glebe,
Centennial Pk. No. 1, 1.45.
St. Aidans A v Croydon Congs. A,
Croydon, 1.45.
All Saints B v All Souls, Leich-
hardt Flat, 1.45.

Third Grade A Division.

- M'kville Pres. B v Annandale
Meths., Wardell Rd. No. 3, 1.45.
St. Thomas A v Rozelle Meth.,
L'hardt Flat, 1.45.
St. Aidans B v Balmain Meth.,
Centennial Pk. No. 2, 3.15.
Anstons Jnrs. v St. Johns Bal. B,
Wardell Road No. 2, 1.45.
St. Bedes v Lakemba Congs. B,
Lakemba, 1.45.

Third Grade B Division.

- Hurlstone Pk. Meth. v Botany
Meth. B, Concord, 3.15.
St. James v St. Silas, Botany No.
1, 1.45.
Botany Pres. v Campsie Congs,
Botany No. 2, 1.45.
Croydon Congs. B v St. Thomas B,
Croydon, 1.45.
Campsie Meth. B the bye.

Injured Players.

Players who are injured are
commended to consult Mr.
Langridge on the Monday fol-
lowing the injury. Scientific
prompt treatment very often
prevents weeks of limping around.
Players of all grades are
instructed to be free of charge, and
payments are charged at half
only. Mr. Langridge can be
consulted at his rooms in Denison
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between 9 a.m. and
5 p.m.

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The Langridge School of
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will be held at the Wentworth
Hotel on Tuesday, 9th June. Pro-
ceeds go to Sydney Hospital. Tickets
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tained from the Secretary,
Langridge School, 380
George Street, Sydney.

The sale of season tickets is
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to obtain same are referred to
the Hon. Secretary, or to Mr.
S. Bingham, Queen Victoria
Road, Sydney.

SOCCER MILESTONES.

English Hospitality : N.S.W.
and the Englishmen : Justi-
fied Optimism : A Poor
Northern "Sport."

(By Sillicus).

John Lewis, the manager of the English team, is delighted at the reception accorded the team at Perth. Australian hospitality is proverbial, so this may be wondered at. In the capital city of the Commonwealth, well-organised preparations are being finalised by energetic officials, so that our players are assured of a real Aussie welcome wherever their happy lot to be located.

A stage is being set for the match at the Agricultural Ground on May 30, when there is expected to be a big gathering of the sporting public.

Within the realms of possibility that New South Wales will prove the "dark horse" of the tour. Did not the New South Wales team vanquish the New Zealanders who afterwards won the test games? So we give the Englishmen the benefit of the doubt though they be, the players of their lives?

Is there justification for optimism, which is quite a faint heart never won a lady of International Plannings and preparations of the clubs of Sydney, New South Coast will endeavour to take the field in the glow of physical health. The advice imparted by experienced players will do much to bring our standard of play somewhat approaching that of the champions of England.

Players have been advised by a northern man to sit tight and let Newcastle represent the State. This seems the correct spirit to bring into the public mind, to much to antagonise the respective areas. It is essential to success to boast of victories is the mark of a true sport. No one begrudges the fine West Wallsend its three wins in the State

championship—we admire their capital play, and extend to them our congratulations. But, of course, we know "Podge" Maunder and his merry men are not in accord with the warped mind which conceived this idea.

Quite likely the result of the match on May 30 will send all reckonings sky high, but the outlook, as far as can be estimated from Sydney premiership game form—after an unsound basis—is highly satisfactory. If the influence of the home ground and local support is as potent as in club matches, however, and form be anything approaching normal, the game should produce a dazzling display of Soccer, with the Englishmen employing all their craftsmanship to circumvent the fast-moving, virile youths of New South Wales. May the New South Welshmen succeed, and may their individual triumph be such as to enhance the reputation of Australians in sport. No one would be better pleased than England's grand old Soccer man, John Lewis, if Australia broke the power of England by sheer merit.

REFEREES' INSTRUCTIONS.

Where early games are played, they must commence at 1.45 p.m., the duration of the game to be 40 minutes each way, with interval of five minutes. In the event of match starting late, time to be divided equally so that game concludes at 3.15 p.m. The late match must start punctually at 3.20 p.m. Under no circumstances must these instructions be departed from, unless notification is received officially from the Management Committee.

DISQUALIFIED!

The whole of the players and officials of the St. George Junior Association have been disqualified by the Metropolitan Association owing to the refusal of the junior organisation to comply with the constitution of the governing body respecting affiliation with the St. George District Club. Owing to pressure on space, details are withheld until next week's issue.

SOCCER REFEREES.

CALL TO OLD PLAYERS.

The shortage of referees in the metropolis is insistently heard. The appeal to players who are giving up the game to try refereeing usually fall on deaf ears. It is remarkable that very few players take up the whistle upon retirement from active participation on the field.

The call is not likely to be heeded when these old players are given cause to believe that they may expect little consideration from a crowd if their decisions do not give favor, little or no support from a club when they carry out their duty and adverse criticism from their own fellows.

Referees have one of the best opportunities they are ever likely to get to assert their position, and if they do not care to take it their right to sympathy will slump badly.

Increased fees alone will not make proficient referees, or even induce new men to take up the work. What is required is support in the deserved action of taking steps to turn offensive "barrackers" out of the ground. This element is noticeable in many of the games this season. The only way to become a popular referee would seem to be taking the line of least resistance and always give the club with the preponderance of "barrackers" the benefit of a doubt. Of course, there is a great deal of unsuspected sympathy with a hard-working body of men who generally come in for a heap of adverse remarks.

A game with a team drawn from the American Fleet, on the occasion of its visit to Sydney, will probably be arranged for July 25th. Only First and Second Grade games will be postponed on this date.

The Agricultural Ground will be the venue of all the English team games. On May 30, June 8, July 4 and July 18, all matches, including Juniors, will be postponed in the Metropolis.

It is expected that the first round of State Championship games will be played in Sydney on June 13 or June 20.

ST. GEORGE DISTRICT CLUB.

(By A.B.M.)

St. George had considerably the best of the game in the first half with Balmain, but failed to beat down the defence of Simmons, who kept goal in brilliant style. The most dangerous players of St. George were Hayes, Graham and Lavender; they were a splendid forward trio, and many times beat Storey, Gallen and Driscoll.

Melliar-Smith was not as effective as usual. Glachen was not at his best. If the left wing had combined as good as the right wing, no doubt St. George would have been successful in scoring. It was Jelfs that broke up the combination of Glachen and Melliar-Smith.

Picken and Chiswell were weak in the half-back division; both players seemed to weaken considerably towards the end of the game.

Murray and Smart improved considerably, and played a particularly good defensive game, but it was the wing halves who let them down. Tranter played his usual effective game, his timing and placing the ball to his forwards being splendid.

Evans was at his best in goal, and the two shots that beat him were impossible for any goalkeeper, to save, more particularly owing to the heavy downpour of rain. The referee, however, disallowed a goal by Graham owing to Glachen being in an offside position. It looked a good goal. If this goal had been allowed it may have made a difference to the result.

For Balmain, Jelfs, Baxter, McLeod and Hancock were the most effective players. Gallen and Driscoll were far from their best in the first half, but in the second half played a particularly good game.

Gil. Storey and Jelfs were the best halves. Joe Fisher failed to put in an appearance, but Jelfs made a good substitute, and was instrumental in scoring one goal, and assisted McLeod with the second.

Simmons played a brilliant game in goal, and saved shots from all angles; he was only beaten upon one occasion, when the off-side goal scored by Graham.

Second Grade Team.

It is very unfortunate that there is no co-operation between the District Club and the Association. Considering there are over 500 players playing the game in the St. George District, it seems strange that it is impossible to raise a second grade team. The District Club had a reserve team last season, and they should have taken this team as their Second Grade eleven this season. They



GEORGE CARTWRIGHT.
(Australian Goalkeeper.)

Block lent by "Fairplay."

were a fine lot of young players, and the making of a good football team. The District Club could have gradually added to this team and success would have been assured. Instead of giving the boys the opportunity of better class football, they were discarded.

Consequently they were compelled to enter the St. George Association First League competition. This team did exceedingly well last season, finishing fourth in place, and this season they are playing good football, and compare favorably with any Second Grade team. The question is, if the District Club Committee cannot raise a second grade team—it is not impossible—a new committee should be appointed to raise one. The only saying is "If you don't succeed at first try try again."

THINGS ONE WOULD

What the governors of are going to do about re

If the Referees' Association trouble to find out if the sentatives can put in what they know in "the

If they know what detectives are?

If there won't be a on the job next time a covers a ball.

If it took the referee away, or did he forget citement.

If all things that play in referees' autograph really choice.

And isn't it temptation sometimes to ask contribute.

How many men the will try at outside right Saturday's games.

If more and more realising that there is a development of defense half back play.

Have you noticed proportion of the success have centre halves who in defence.

Can you guess the representative player that A. Burns, Canterbury side right, is the State forward.

If Stan Bourke ever a better game.

Who was the leg-p man who told the team, reputed to be fastest, that a certain had got the cramp trained.

If the trainer found all he had on his mind

If both sides were tied at the end of the Granville match last